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SUBJ: CIVAIR - TACA'S MERID ROUTE APPLICATION

REF: A) SAN SALVADOR 835; B) STATE 045102; C) SAN SALVADOR 1155

1. AN EXECUTIVE OF TACA TOLD EMBOFF THAT TACA'S "INFORMAL MEETING" SCHEDULED WITH THE CAB, REFERRED TO IN REFTEL B, HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED FOR APRIL 3 AND THAT TWO TACA EXECUTIVES WILL ATTEND - PRESIDENT RICARDO KRIETE AND NEWLY APPOINTED ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT GEORGE RAY WOODY (EX-VP OF NATIONAL AIRLINES). TACA REQUESTED THIS MEETING NOT SO MUCH TO EXPLAIN ABOUT ITS APPLICATION FOR THE MERIDA ROUTE BUT TO PUT TO REST WHAT IT SUSPECTS IS A CAB BELIEF THAT TACA HAS BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR PAN AMERICAN'S DIFFICULTIES WITH THE GOES ON PERMIT AND SCHEDULE APPROVALS. TACA OFFICIALS WILL CARRY AS "EVIDENCE" THE RECENT GOES PERMIT EXTENSIONS FOR 6 MONTHS/ 6 MONTHS AUTOMATIC RENEWAL TO PAN AM (SAN SALVADOR 1076) AND OTHER NON-SALVADORAN LINES. THEY WILL ALLEGE THAT, IN FACT, TACA WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN OBTAINING BETTER TREATMENT FOR PAN AMERICAN.

2. ON THE BASIS OF FREQUENT CONTACT WITH PAN AMERICAN'S LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES AND CONVERSATIONS WITH GOES OFFICIALS AND TACA EXECUTIVES, THE EMBASSY HAS REPORTED IN RECENT MESSAGES  
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ITS VIEW THAT TACA HAS NOT, REPEAT NOT, BEEN BEHIND PAN AM'S

RECENT DIFFICULTIES (PARA 3 OF SAN SALVADOR 258 AND 294). WE WISH TO RECONFIRM THIS ON THE BASIS OF LOCALLY AVAILABLE INFORMATION AND AGAIN URGE RAPID AND, IF POSSIBLE, FAVORABLE ACTION ON TACA'S APPLICATION.

3. WE WILL APPRECIATE A STATUS REPORT SOONEST AFTER THE APRIL 3 MEETING.

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